## TxDMV Update

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## VTR Update

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## Administrative Rules

- <u>Insurance Total Loss Claim</u> HB 1422. Allows insurance companies to obtain an original title when a total loss claim is paid and the ownership document is unobtainable
  - Form VTR-331-A is the new secure form that will be submitted to your office by insurance companies to obtain an original title
  - You will begin seeing new forms in your offices as early as December 1st

## Administrative Rules (continued)

- Identification HB 2017 & HB 2357
  - Transportation Code requires an owner to provide identification at the time of title or original registration
  - Requires the department to file rules for acceptable identification
  - Rules re-proposed in October & public comment period ends November 28, 2011
  - <a href="http://www.sos.state.tx.us/texreg/archive/October282011/PROPOSED/43.TRANSPORTATION.html#243">http://www.sos.state.tx.us/texreg/archive/October282011/PROPOSED/43.TRANSPORTATION.html#243</a>
  - Acceptable Identification:
    - Driver license or state ID certificate issued by a state or territory of the United States
    - US or foreign passport
    - US military ID card
    - US Department of Homeland Security, United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, or United States Department of State ID card

## Administrative Rules (continued)

- Custom Vehicles and Street Rods HB 890
  - Requires department to establish an inspection program
  - It's a one-time inspection as vehicles are exempted from the annual vehicle inspection administered by DPS
  - Rules proposed in November, scheduled for final adoption in January

## Renew Here!



- New 11 x 17 poster
- English on one side/Spanish on the other
- Space for county identification
- For subcontractor or county sites



## Full Service Deputy

- It is the opinion of the TxDMV that a dealer deputized as a full service deputy under §520.0091, Transportation Code, may charge up to \$5 for each motor vehicle registration if they comply with the requirements set out for a full service deputy in §520.008. This section states "a full service deputy appointed under §520.0091 shall accept any application for registration, registration renewal, or title transfer that the county assessor-collector may accept."
- If the dealer processes only title and registration applications for vehicles sold through the dealer, they are not eligible to collect the additional \$5 fee.
- To be eligible a dealer would need to process not only their dealer transactions, but also be open to the public.

## Placards & Plates

### Push Card

- End confusion over parking privileges for
  - person with disability and
  - local law enforcement
- Please distribute to your
  - sheriff's department and
  - local police
- Also available for community groups and military bases
- Order through your Regional Service Center



#### PARKING PLACARDS

**BLUE** – Permanent Disability **RED** – Temporary Disability

**PIATES** – Those with a permanent disability may also choose to obtain disabled license plates.

Whether you have a placard and/or license plates the same parking rights and privileges apply.

#### Those with parking placards and/or plates are:

- Permitted to park in any spot designated for persons with disabilities.
- Exempt from local and state parking meters. State law does not allow you to exceed the meter limit, but cities may pass ordinances to extend your meter time. (See City Ordinances section below)

#### The placards and/or plates are ONLY valid when:

- Being used by the person with the disability.
- Being used by someone who is driving the person with the disability.

NOTE: It is a violation of state law to use the placard or plates for a disabled parking spot without the person with the disability in the vehicle. If you are a caregiver you CANOT park in a disabled parking space if the person with the disability is not in the vehicle with you -even if it is to run into a pharmacy for a prescription. If you violate this law, the placard is confiscated, the plates revoked, you will face criminal penalties and a \$500 fine.

#### VETERANS and MILITARY

Disabled Veteran license plates feature "DV" as part of the license plate number. DV-designated plates provide the same parking plate number. DV-designated plates provide as provide access. (DV plate holders have the option of placing the access symbol on one of their plates.) All other military plates must carry the universal symbol of access. For a complete list of these plates, so to www.TDMV2so.

CITY ORDINANCES: Texas cities may provide additional privileges, such as free airport or extended meter parking. Check with your local city officials.

For more information on placards and plates for persons with disabilities, including how to apply, go to www.TxDMV.gov.





## **Update on County Training**

- 17 courses available, with three more being added by the end of the year
  - Previewing two title modules here at the conference
  - Join us at a Computer Lab Class
- Nearly 4,000 users
- 3,200 module exams completed
- We encourage you and your staff to take advantage of the training



## New Voluntary Donations Listed on Renewal

- SB 1635 -Texas Veteran's Assistance Fund
- HB 1301 Texas Parks and Wildlife
- §502.1748 specifies that when the contribution is not clearly specified the county tax assessor-collector shall divide the contribution between the two entities
- Agencies created a single push card with all three causes called a "Co-op Card"
- TPWD will be contacting regarding promotional materials on the TPWD donation
- Remember RTS will still accept donations for Donate Life

When you register your vehicle, please help these organizations!



Texas State Parks need your help, now more than ever.

Your tax-deductable donation of \$5 or more will help keep state parks open and maintained. Your donation is more critical than ever because of state budgets and

catastrophic wildfires. Texas State Parks won't be the same without vo

To learn more please visit www.texasstateparks.org/help Donation authority granted by transportation code §502.1747



You can help Texans in need of life-saving organ transplants.

Your \$1 tax-deductable donation will help fund the Glenda Dawson Donate Life Texas Registry. This program is responsible for encouraging organ donor

registration and for getting donated organs to people in need.

To learn more please visit www.donatelifetexas.org

Donation authority granted by transportation code §502.1745



Helping Texas Veterans starts here

Your tax-deductable donation of any amount will support the Fund for Veterans' Assistance. The FVA awards reimbursement grants to eligible

organizations that provide services to Texas veterans and their families.

To learn more please visit www.tvc.state.tx.us

Donation authority granted by transportation code §502.1746

The Texas Legislature has authorized County Tax Assessor-Collector offices to accept tax-deductable donations for the above organizations.

Your County Tax Assessor-Collector clerk will be glad to help you with this tax-deductible donation.

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## TxDMV Presentations/Booth

#### For more information:

- Presentations on Wednesday:
  - Title Update legislative changes
  - WebSubcontractor demonstration/implementation
- Four County Training Sessions
- Visit our booth!







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## **Administration Update**

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## **TxDMV Update**

Equipment Deployment

Automation Project

Executive Director Search

